



# Crop Progress and Condition

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## Irrigation in Full Swing in Idaho

Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.7. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 2% very poor, 8% poor, 53% fair, 35% good, and 2% excellent. Temperatures ranged from 1 to 8 degrees above normal. Precipitation levels continued below normal throughout state weather stations. Warm weather helped farmers continue to plant spring crops. Barley Yellow Dwarf was found in Franklin County in dryland fields where severity varied from field to field. Respondents reported the need for spring moisture to help with water shortage. Irrigation is in full swing. Major agricultural activities included feeding livestock, hauling manure, planting cereal grains, field corn, dry beans, sugarbeets, and potatoes. No severe crop problems or livestock problems were reported.

## Dry Weather Condition Continued in Washington

Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.8. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 10% very poor, 6% poor, 34% fair, 43% good, and 7% excellent. In western Washington, dry and warm conditions prevailed and allowed producers to complete field work. Reports indicated most fields having had the first cutting of grass for silage having been placed in bunkers. Strawberries and blueberries showed progressed throughout the week. Dry and warm weather conditions continued throughout central Washington. Irrigation water was rationed and districts were looking to buy up excess water rights elsewhere. Winter wheat crop was reported to be in good condition but in need of spring precipitation. In Yakima County, cherry and apple growers applied their first cover sprays to control fruit fly and codling moth. Field crews focused on new planting for apples. Hops were beginning to spiral up the trellises. East central Washington no precipitation was reported. Field activities continued to be high with the planting of spring onions, sweet and field corn, dry beans, potato, and first cutting of alfalfa. In southeastern Washington, dry conditions continued while some crops began to show some stress where soils were shallow.

## Many Crops Ahead of Schedule in Oregon

There were 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork. Pasture and range conditions were reported to be 25% poor, 41% fair, 33% good, and 1% excellent. In northeastern Oregon, weather conditions remained dry and there were concerns regarding the allocation of irrigation water. Tree fruits and berries were doing great. Haylage production had started and yields were about 80% of normal. Grass and red clover was being cut for silage. Hay crops were coming on early and cuttings were expected to be several weeks earlier this year. In some areas alfalfa was nearing harvest. Grass seed was beginning to head with an earlier harvest expected. Some wheat varieties were beginning to head. Spring wheat was showing stress from lack of moisture. Field corn planting continued. Filberts looked good. Cattle and calves were doing well on new pasture grasses. Greenhouse sales were good. In the northern region grain continued to grow and looked good, but showed some signs of drought in several spots. Pastures and grazing cool season grasses were headed out and drying. In the southwestern region temperatures and average moisture kept spring grasses growing and haylage was being cut. Some areas reported that warm dry conditions had depleted topsoil moisture in upland vineyards, pastures, and orchards. Early heat had caused acceleration of crop development in berry, vineyard, grain, and hay crops. Field work for summer vegetable crops was ahead of normal. River flows were at mid-summer levels due to lack of rain. Dry conditions continued in the southeastern region as well.

## Soil Moisture and Irrigation Water Supply — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 05/03/15

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	7	34	58	1
Oregon.....	5	50	44	1
Washington.....	2	38	59	1
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho.....	8	26	66	-
Oregon.....	9	51	40	-
Washington.....	5	33	61	1

- Represents zero.

## Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 05/03/15

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Winter wheat					
Idaho.....	-	11	34	48	7
Oregon.....	2	4	58	32	4
Washington.....	2	10	51	33	4

- Represents zero.

## Weekly Weather Statistics — Idaho: April 27 - May 3, 2015

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation				
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days	
					Total	DFN								
NORTH														
Coeur d' Alene.....	31	76	51	+1	16	-3	0.04	-0.44	1	18.63	-1.16	94	94	
Fenn.....	33	85	53	+1	31	-1	0.01	-0.83	1	26.68	-3.21	89	109	
Lewiston.....	37	86	58	+4	59	+19	0.00	-0.35	0	8.20	-0.50	94	78	
Bonniers Ferry.....	33	80	54	+3	32	+10	0.01	-0.34	1	18.06	+1.82	111	81	
Nezperce.....	28	76	48	+1	16	+3	0.00	-0.62	0	13.24	-0.07	99	119	
SOUTHWEST														
Boise.....	31	82	57	+3	49	+10	0.07	-0.21	3	12.06	+2.45	125	114	
Emmett.....	32	82	55	+2	41	+2	0.00	-0.28	0	10.84	-0.35	97	62	
Glenns Ferry.....	31	81	57	+4	50	+13	0.03	-0.11	2	7.10	-0.76	90	77	
Grand View.....	30	84	57	+3	52	+7	0.06	-0.12	3	5.77	+0.58	111	69	
Nampa.....	34	80	58	+4	55	+15	0.01	-0.23	1	9.12	+1.43	119	84	
Parma.....	36	81	59	+6	62	+24	0.00	-0.21	0	7.57	-0.94	89	68	
SOUTH CENTRAL														
Fairfield.....	21	75	50	+3	9	-2	0.05	-0.23	2	9.51	-2.30	81	89	
Malta.....	22	80	52	+3	23	+2	0.01	-0.33	1	6.52	-0.22	97	79	
Picabo.....	27	77	54	+8	31	+29	0.01	-0.25	1	8.54	-1.43	86	69	
Rupert.....	29	77	53	+4	30	+8	0.02	-0.22	2	4.66	-2.37	66	71	
Twin Falls.....	31	79	55	+6	37	+16	0.00	-0.28	0	5.54	-2.68	67	58	
EAST														
Aberdeen.....	30	80	54	+7	34	+20	0.07	-0.14	1	3.04	-3.13	49	40	
Ashton.....	31	77	52	+7	19	+15	0.04	-0.41	1	10.92	-3.15	78	87	
Fort Hall.....	29	77	54	+7	33	+19	0.01	-0.32	1	4.98	-3.11	62	72	
Idaho Falls.....	28	79	53	+5	38	+24	0.04	-0.26	3	4.98	-2.13	70	48	
Lava Hot Springs.....	30	74	51	+3	22	+8	0.07	-0.32	1	10.36	-1.23	89	57	
Montevieu.....	27	77	52	+4	21	+7	0.01	-0.27	1	2.53	-2.99	46	28	
Preston.....	34	76	56	+8	47	+29	0.00	-0.43	0	7.92	-3.23	71	52	
Rexburg.....	27	79	52	+6	25	+11	0.01	-0.34	1	7.50	-1.47	84	88	

## Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 05/03/15

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted .....	91	78	95	76
Spring wheat emerged .....	65	42	64	41
Winter wheat headed .....	5	3	-	-
Barley planted .....	89	83	86	72
Barley emerged .....	68	48	55	36
Oats planted .....	85	80	89	69
Oats emerged .....	42	31	52	39
Potatoes planted .....	49	31	58	46
Potatoes emerged .....	5	3	(NA)	(NA)
Sugarbeets planted .....	95	88	90	90
Sugarbeets emerged .....	37	22	25	25
Field corn planted .....	53	32	33	25
Field corn emerged .....	12	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible beans planted .....	25	1	24	7
Dry peas planted .....	78	48	56	44
Dry peas emerged .....	29	4	11	8
Onions emerged .....	66	43	60	61
Alfalfa hay 1st cutting .....	1	-	(NA)	(NA)

-Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

## Weekly Weather Statistics — Washington: April 27 - May 3, 2015

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation				
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days	
					Total	DFN								
WEST														
Bellingham .....	36	68	54	+3	29	+10	0.15	-0.44	4	29.87	+0.26	101	119	
Everett .....	42	73	54	+3	31	+9	0.24	-0.39	4	28.81	-1.50	95	128	
Hoquiam .....	39	78	54	+3	27	+9	0.25	-0.70	3	58.93	-1.65	97	132	
Kelso .....	37	82	57	+5	51	+25	0.14	-0.61	2	34.21	-6.78	83	118	
Olympia .....	34	75	54	+5	32	+18	0.05	-0.61	2	41.92	-3.17	93	122	
Sea-Tac .....	45	75	56	+4	47	+22	0.08	-0.41	2	34.04	+1.84	106	125	
Shelton .....	33	76	55	+3	35	+10	0.11	-0.69	2	57.51	-1.86	97	124	
Tacoma.....	34	76	54	+2	32	+8	0.13	-0.45	3	31.43	-3.36	90	125	
Vancouver .....	39	78	58	+5	58	+25	0.05	-0.51	3	30.08	-1.61	95	122	
CENTRAL														
Ellensburg.....	36	79	58	+7	56	+34	0.00	-0.09	0	6.26	-0.97	87	60	
Omak .....	36	80	57	+4	50	+18	0.00	-0.26	0	9.82	+0.62	107	60	
Stampede Pass .....	29	67	46	+7	1	+1	0.05	-1.08	1	42.47	-29.79	59	113	
Wenatchee.....	44	81	61	+6	78	+37	0.00	-0.13	0	5.85	-0.81	88	55	
Yakima AP.....	34	84	60	+9	75	+49	0.00	-0.09	0	4.98	-1.62	75	55	
NORTHEAST														
Colville .....	32	82	58	+7	57	+35	0.00	-0.42	0	14.38	-1.59	90	88	
Deer Park .....	26	78	52	+3	22	+4	0.02	-0.47	1	14.32	-5.56	72	90	
Kettle Falls.....	32	80	56	+4	45	+14	0.00	-0.42	0	13.41	-0.42	97	90	
Spokane .....	36	78	55	+6	37	+19	0.01	-0.34	1	12.17	-0.43	97	84	
EAST CENTRAL														
Ephrata.....	37	80	59	+4	65	+20	0.00	-0.14	0	5.91	+0.00	100	51	
Moses Lake .....	36	80	58	+2	56	+11	0.00	-0.14	0	5.50	-0.41	93	51	
Quincy .....	35	78	57	+2	48	+8	0.04	-0.10	1	7.29	+1.01	116	40	
Ritzville .....	26	79	52	+3	26	+6	0.01	-0.20	1	9.42	-0.23	98	70	
SOUTHEAST														
Hanford.....	40	87	62	+4	82	+21	0.00	-0.07	0	3.93	-1.66	70	51	
Lake Bryan Rice.....	35	87	58	+7	58	+30	0.01	-0.27	1	11.87	+0.18	102	81	
Pasco.....	33	86	59	+2	63	+8	0.01	-0.13	1	4.33	-2.07	68	56	
Pullman.....	31	81	52	+4	28	+12	0.00	-0.42	0	15.34	-1.10	93	86	
Silcott Island .....	38	89	60	+6	74	+34	0.00	-0.35	0	6.47	-2.23	74	69	
Walla Walla .....	42	83	61	+5	76	+30	0.06	-0.36	1	12.20	-4.19	74	77	
Whitman Mission.....	30	82	55	+0	36	+0	0.14	-0.18	1	10.25	-0.86	92	87	

## Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 05/03/15

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted .....	96	90	90	82
Spring wheat emerged .....	75	47	57	52
Winter wheat headed .....	2	-	-	-
Barley planted .....	88	77	78	72
Barley emerged .....	63	35	39	38
Oats planted .....	64	45	(NA)	(NA)
Oats emerged .....	25	15	(NA)	(NA)
Potatoes planted .....	91	85	79	80
Potatoes emerged .....	41	25	18	16
Field corn planted .....	55	23	56	56
Field corn emerged .....	1	-	9	7
Dry edible beans planted .....	33	6	34	35
Dry peas planted .....	80	72	55	50
Dry peas emerged .....	21	8	(NA)	(NA)
Onions planted .....	78	73	(NA)	(NA)
Onions emerged .....	45	40	(NA)	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 1st cutting .....	6	-	(NA)	(NA)

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# Weekly Weather Statistics — Oregon: April 27 - May 3, 2015

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation				
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days	
					Total	DFN								
COASTAL AREAS														
Astoria .....	40	79	54	+5	32	+18	0.48	-0.42	3	55.93	-3.35	94	136	
Bandon .....	38	77	53	+2	22	+6	0.11	-0.76	2	53.18	-0.17	100	135	
Florence .....	35	79	51	-1	17	-3	0.05	-0.93	1	67.57	+2.45	104	130	
North Bend .....	43	79	53	+2	22	+1	0.02	-0.94	1	43.45	-14.87	75	114	
Tillamook .....	34	73	52	+4	22	+9	0.23	-1.07	2	51.43	-28.20	65	135	
WILLAMETTE VALLEY														
Aurora .....	39	84	58	+6	58	+31	0.06	-0.57	2	32.02	-4.81	87	131	
Corvallis .....	34	76	55	+4	40	+13	0.00	-0.59	0	32.74	-6.10	84	141	
Detroit Lake .....	34	84	58	+8	55	+34	0.00	-1.50	0	53.81	-22.51	71	113	
Eugene .....	34	75	55	+4	39	+15	0.00	-0.70	0	29.50	-15.88	65	116	
Hillsboro .....	37	82	57	+4	52	+17	0.09	-0.40	2	29.60	-3.93	88	116	
McMinnville .....	36	79	57	+4	50	+20	0.05	-0.47	3	32.77	-5.07	87	120	
Portland .....	43	81	60	+7	68	+35	0.03	-0.53	2	29.34	-2.35	93	117	
Salem .....	38	79	57	+6	52	+26	0.02	-0.54	1	32.61	-2.80	92	110	
SOUTHWESTERN VALLEYS														
Grants Pass .....	38	90	61	+9	81	+47	0.00	-0.35	0	24.05	-4.56	84	99	
Medford .....	39	87	63	+9	93	+54	0.00	-0.28	0	15.31	-0.46	97	81	
Roseburg .....	41	84	61	+6	77	+35	0.00	-0.53	0	25.95	-4.07	86	100	
NORTH CENTRAL														
Condon .....	32	79	54	+6	30	+16	0.00	-0.35	0	6.94	-4.18	62	60	
Echo .....	32	86	59	+3	62	+11	0.01	-0.20	1	5.11	-3.41	60	83	
Heppner .....	33	80	56	+4	44	+15	0.07	-0.28	1	7.43	-3.27	69	73	
Hermiston .....	34	85	58	+2	55	+4	0.02	-0.19	1	4.46	-4.06	52	59	
Madras .....	31	78	54	+5	32	+12	0.00	-0.26	0	6.79	-2.46	73	77	
Moro .....	34	76	54	+4	29	+11	0.00	-0.21	0	7.69	-1.63	83	72	
Parkdale .....	32	76	54	+5	32	+14	0.00	-0.36	0	32.17	+3.39	112	117	
Pendleton .....	35	79	55	+2	43	+5	0.11	-0.17	1	8.08	-1.83	82	77	
Prairie City .....	24	77	50	+6	9	+9	0.01	-0.34	1	10.47	-5.73	65	107	
The Dalles .....	41	82	61	+4	81	+26	0.00	-0.14	0	10.44	-2.42	81	72	
SOUTH CENTRAL														
Agency Lake .....	36	80	59	+14	67	+66	0.00	-0.28	0	16.61	-0.44	97	72	
Bend .....	29	77	51	+5	22	+14	0.00	-0.18	0	9.17	+0.27	103	47	
Burns .....	23	77	51	+5	18	+10	0.00	-0.21	0	7.09	-1.01	88	58	
Christmas Valley .....	19	80	50	+5	11	+11	0.00	-0.24	0	5.52	-2.68	67	79	
Klamath Falls .....	30	77	54	+7	28	+16	0.00	-0.14	0	11.20	+1.56	116	65	
Lakeview .....	28	77	52	+5	15	+3	0.00	-0.31	0	8.11	-4.12	66	76	
Lorella .....	21	78	51	+3	10	-2	0.00	-0.21	0	11.31	+2.58	130	71	
Redmond .....	26	81	51	+3	18	+2	0.00	-0.21	0	6.25	+0.27	105	59	
Worden .....	20	78	52	+5	15	+3	0.00	-0.14	0	12.42	+2.78	129	76	
NORTHEAST														
Baker City .....	22	76	50	+2	12	-2	0.00	-0.24	0	4.59	-1.98	70	55	
Joseph .....	30	77	51	+4	17	+4	0.00	-0.49	0	5.18	-8.18	39	46	
La Grande .....	28	79	54	+5	32	+14	0.00	-0.42	0	6.66	-6.01	53	68	
Imbler .....	27	78	52	+2	21	+0	0.01	-0.44	1	12.70	-6.75	65	104	
SOUTHEAST														
Ontario .....	32	81	59	+5	65	+21	0.00	-0.21	0	7.31	-0.10	99	60	
Rome .....	30	83	56	+8	46	+28	0.01	-0.27	1	4.75	-1.61	75	44	

Summary based on NWS data.

Season cumulative precipitation starts: September 1, 2014.

DFN = Departure from normal.

NA = Data not available.

Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches.

Precipitation days= Days with precipitation of 0.01 inch or more.

Air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit.

Normals period 1971-2000 used in DFN calculations.

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Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat planted .....	95	86	97	91
Spring wheat emerged .....	82	65	78	66
Winter wheat headed .....	4	3	6	2
Barley planted .....	95	87	97	87
Barley emerged .....	80	60	84	66
Oats planted .....	80	70	(NA)	(NA)
Oats emerged .....	38	21	(NA)	(NA)
Potatoes planted .....	74	65	(NA)	(NA)
Potatoes emerged .....	5	-	(NA)	(NA)
Sugarbeets planted .....	70	65	(NA)	(NA)
Sugarbeets emerged .....	10	-	(NA)	(NA)
Field corn planted .....	54	39	(NA)	(NA)
Field corn emerged .....	10	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible beans planted .....	15	-	(NA)	(NA)
Dry peas planted .....	55	40	(NA)	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

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